

# Phelps Creek

## VINEYARDS

### 2018 Pinot Noir, Columbia Gorge

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Phelps Creek is nestled amongst the foothills of Mt Defiance at 1200 feet elevation and is the most westerly vineyard on the Oregon side of the Columbia Gorge AVA. Established in 1990, our small boutique winery focuses on estate grown Pinot Noir and Chardonnay varietals, annually producing 5,000 cases of wine in total. Vineyard care takes center stage in our wine production, where sustainable agricultural practices combined with careful management of the fruit yields on the vines lead to the noted luxurious intensity within our bottle.

#### WINEMAKER COMMENT

The perfect wine to describe our estate. Each block of Pinot Noir is harvested, fermented and barrel aged separately, and only blended at the final tasting trial. Our ancient volcanic soils usher beautiful spice, while the high elevation brings brightness to our finished product.

#### VINTAGE

2018 growing season proceeded slightly compressed due to a stretch of mid-summer heat. Harvest began late September with ideal conditions of sunny skies, cool days, and cold nights—allowing fruit to ripen incrementally. Ultimately the vintage might sear into memory for its stunningly long, beautiful fall encompassing most of October.

#### WINEMAKING NOTES

This 100% Estate grown Pinot Noir combines three different clonal selections Pommard, Dijon 115 & Dijon 777. South and east facing steep slopes allow for near perfect growing conditions for the noble Pinot Noir grape. Aged 11 months in new and neutral French Oak barrels

#### REVIEWS

91 Points - James Suckling (January 2020)

BOTTLE NOTES		TASTING NOTES
Clonal Selection:	Pommard, Dijon 777, 100% Estate Pinot Noir	Polished acidity, the result of a Wine-maker's restraint in ripeness, balances a rich nose of leather and tobacco. A palette of bright red fruits with a lush texture full of earth and spice notes, reflective of our volcanic soils.
Barrel Élevage:	11 months in 10% new	
Alc:	14.2%	
Bottling:	September 2019	
Case Production:	564	



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